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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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CELIA ZAVALA EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY FOR THE INTENSIVE PROBATION SUPERVISION FOR HIGH-RISK FELONY AND REPEAT DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OFFENDER PROGRAM

(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The County of Los Angeles Probation Department (Probation) requests that your Board authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) on behalf of the County of Los Angeles to continue funding the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Offender Program currently established in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding estimated at \$300,000 from OTS for the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.
- 2. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to accept future grant funding and execute agreements, amendments, related documents, or extension with OTS.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to authorize the Chief Probation Officer to accept grant funding from OTS for the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program.

Probation's estimated allocation is \$300,000 for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. The funds will be accepted following your Board's approval. This grant funding will be used to continue the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program currently established in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas. Specifically, the grant funds will be utilized to continue Probation's efforts to reduce the number of alcohol-related traffic accidents through intensive supervision of probationers with multiple DUI convictions in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Probation's estimated allocation is \$300,000 for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. There is no net County cost match requirement.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) provides grants to State governments so States can conduct effective highway safety programs. The California Highway Safety Program is a partnership effort between NHTSA and California. On April 2018, NHTSA awarded California \$34,459,536 for the Repeat Offender Grant.

OTS is designated by the Governor to receive these federal traffic safety funds for coordinating California's highway safety programs. Each year OTS develops a Highway Safety Plan (HSP) identifying the key highway safety problems in the state and the most effective countermeasures to address them.

In December 2005, the County of San Diego Probation Department (CSDPD) applied for the State OTS grant targeting DUI offenders on probation entitled "the California Probation Adult Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program." The grant application was submitted on behalf of 17 county probation departments, including the County of Los Angeles. CSDPD was the lead agency on the grant and served as the grant administrator.

The purpose of the grant funds was to help reduce the number of alcohol-related traffic accidents by maximizing the ability to supervise caseloads for probationers with multiple DUI convictions. Due to the large number of DUI cases, Probation targeted the Pomona Valley area in the County of Los Angeles. On June 29, 2006, your Board adopted a resolution to support Probation's participation in the California Probation Adult Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program. Probation's allocation for this program was \$1,885,002 over a three-year period, commencing June 1, 2006 through May 31, 2009. In November 2007, OTS released a grant application for the DUI Enforcement Program. Probation submitted its application to OTS on January 31, 2008.

On May 28, 2008, OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$962,559 for the period of October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2010. On November 12, 2008, your Board adopted a resolution to support Probation's participation in the DUI Enforcement Program.

On June 25, 2010, OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$265,000 for the period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011. On August 3, 2010, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona Valley area.

On August 30, 2011, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$270,000. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona Valley area.

On September 18, 2012, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$268,000. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona Valley area and expand the services into the San Gabriel Valley areas.

On September 17, 2013, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$265,000. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

On September 16, 2014, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$300,000. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

On December 8, 2015, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$315,000. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona Valley and San Gabriel Valley areas.

On November 9, 2016, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$334,298. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services in the Pomona Valley and San Gabriel Valley areas.

On December 12, 2017, your Board adopted a board letter to support Probation's participation in the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program for the period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018. OTS approved Probation's funding request in the amount of \$341,137. Funding for this program was used to continue the established services

in the Pomona Valley and San Gabriel Valley areas.

Program services included but were not limited to:

- Intensive supervision and enforcement of court ordered conditions of probation through the use of the Level of Service/Case Management Inventory (LS/CMI) assessment tool, office contacts, unannounced search and seizure contacts, and alcohol and other drug tests.
- Monitoring of treatment participation, home visits, and use of electronic monitoring techniques and devices.
- Distributing Habitual Offender Talley (HOT) Sheets to local law enforcement agencies.
- Participating in sobriety checkpoints in collaboration with local OTS DUI grant awardee participants of "Avoid The 100" coalition of law enforcement agencies.
- Participating in Traffic Safety Committee Meetings and fostering relationships with the "Mothers Against Drunk Driving" (MADD) and other local organizations.
- Participating in the collaborative "Every 15 Minutes" DUI Awareness and Prevention Program events coordinated by the Pomona Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit.
- Participating in local community-based resource events and presenting to local media outlets as an informational and educational outreach to citizens in the program service areas.

On December 4, 2017, OTS released the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2018-19 grant application for the Intensive Probation Supervision for High-Risk Felony and Repeat DUI Offender Program, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number 20.608. Probation submitted its application to OTS in January 26, 2018. In August 2, 2018, OTS approved Probation's funding request as Grant Award Number Al19005 in the amount of \$299,377 for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. Probation intends to use the OTS grant funds to continue funding the program services currently established in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Probation to use the accepted OTS grant funds to continue its current DUI-related services in the Pomona and San Gabriel Valley areas.

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Respectfully submitted,

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